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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 11/10/2010.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 21-27,29,31-38 and 40.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some\* c) ☐ None of the:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. \_\_\_\_.
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1. ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08),  
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4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit  
of Biological Material
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6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413),  
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7. ☐ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_.

***Reasons for Allowance***

Applicant's arguments/amendments filed 11/10/2010, overcomes the Examiner's prior art rejection. Hence claims 21-27, 29, 31-38, and 40 are allowed.

The following is a statement of reasons for the indication of allowable subject matter:

According to the Applicant's arguments and/or amendments in regards to the independent claims 21 and 37, the prior art references (Garceran and Patrick) do not disclose or suggest "A method for locating a terminal in a local wireless telecommunications network performed at a locating system that provides a location estimation of the terminal depending on a set of configuration data and on a set of measuring data, wherein the network comprises a plurality of base stations access points providing services on a plurality Of coverage areas and the locating system is located remotely from the terminal and the plurality of base stations access points, comprising: defining a set of configuration data comprising a plurality of configuration data base entries, each configuration data base entry having a weight function related to a configuration of the local wireless telecommunications network; acquiring a set of measuring data from the terminal or the network comprising a plurality of measuring data types, wherein each measuring data type depends on the type of terminal and the set of measuring data indicates whether the terminal belongs to a subset of said plurality of coverage areas; associating each of a plurality of locating procedures with a

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different combination of at least one of the plurality of configuration data base entries and at least one of the plurality of measuring data types, wherein each of the plurality of locating procedures is configured to estimate a position of the terminal based on the associated combination and corresponds to an accuracy value of the estimated position, **each of said plurality of locating procedures having associated a respective weight index in terms of difficulty in providing said configuration data;** and selectively actuating at least one of the plurality of locating procedures obtained from said associating step to provide the location **estimation by taking into account said weight index and said accuracy value**".

Based on the Applicant's arguments and/or amendments submitted, the Examiner believes the claims contain novel material over the prior art references of record.

### ***Conclusion***

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to OMONIYI A. OBAYANJU whose telephone number is (571)270-5885. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon - Fri, 7:30 - 5:00PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, JINSONG HU can be reached on 571-272-3965. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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